# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES
# LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3926
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VRS SCHEME IN BHEL
SATYAVRAT CHATURVEDI;SUNDER LAL TIWARI

**Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:**

(a) the number of Engineers of Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited (BHEL) who have takenvoluntary retirement during the last three years;

(b) whether several engineers in BHEL have been declared surplus; and

(c) if so, the number of them and the steps being taken by the Government to deal with the situation?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (DR. VALLABHBHAI KATHIRIA)

(a) The number of Graduate Engineers and equivalent in Executive cadre who have taken VoluntaryRetirement during the last three years are as follows:

| YEAR | ENGINEERS WHO HAVE TAKEN VRS |
|---|---|
| 1998-99 | No VRS was in operation. |
| 1999-2000 | 483 |
| 2000-2001 | 126 |

(b) & (c): No Sir. However, BHEL had introduced Voluntary Retirement Schemes during 1999-2000and 2000-2001 for all its employees including Engineers. The employees who opted for retirement under these schemes and could be relieved without affecting the performance of the Company, were allowed to retire.